"The South 40"
by JAMES A. SMITH
EXTENSION AGENT

John Hix and Henry Covington participated in the Dairy Field Day at the Blalock farm yesterday. It's always good to see dairymen looking for ways to increase their production at less cost.

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Congratulations to Carter Martin for his recent appointment as supervisor of the Robert E. Lee Soil and Water Conservation District Board.

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The Fire Cured Tobacco Marketing Coop. had a very informative meeting last Friday.

Dark tobacco stocks are low. It was reported that the pool had only four hogsheads in storage.

It was pointed out that there were four real problems facing the dark tobacco industry.

1. Low yield. The average yield for Virginia during the years 1941-45 was 892 pounds per acre, while the 1966-70 average was 1272 pounds. This is an increase of 380 pounds. Our competitors in Kentucky/Tennessee in 1941-45 averaged 977 pounds per acre, but the 1966-70 averaged jumped to 1798 pounds. This is 821 pound increase.

2. Unknown varieties. Many growers are using crosses or "varieties" that are not true. Recent research by Dr. R. G. Henderson has demonstrated that the male sterile hybrid may be the direction we need to go. There are two hybrids that look quite good Va 331 X Nance and Va. 331 X Va. 312. The later looks like the best choice.

For 1973 there is a limited amount of the Va. 331 X Va. 312 seed available to growers. If you are interested let us know. We would like to get some of this new variety grown in Appomattox next year.

3. Labor. Our records show that 325 hours of labor are required to grow and market an acre of dark tobacco.

The big job for research in the years ahead will deal with replacing the hand harvesting, and preparation for market.

Some growers have seen the machine that was developed in Maryland for cutting stalk tobacco. This machine with three men can cut an acre in three hours. The problem is that it still must be spudded. I understand that the developer of this machine has now devised a means of putting the tobacco on the stick.

4. Marketing loose leaf. If we can over come the objection from our major buyers this appears to be possible.

This year growers can increase the value of their crop by doing a good job of sorting. Sorting is not particularly important for snuff grades, but for the better grades it is important.

The market opens next Tuesday with probably the shortest crop in history.

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Aspirin and salt are moderately toxic chemicals and fall in the same toxicity category as the insecticides Malathion and Sevin.

ROCKS

Nov. 27 It was quite cold here last week. The 2nd snow came Tuesday night.

Mrs. Louise Crain underwent the 2nd operation at Virginia Baptist Hospital last Monday night. A very speedy recovery is wished her.

Bradley Baldwin killed a very large deer Monday. Over 200 lbs. it was.

Mrs. Margaret Marshall had a surprise birthday party on last Monday night in the home of Mrs. Bettie Ranson.

Sarah and Susan Hamlin spent Monday night with their sister, Mrs. Samuel Martin.

Mrs. Raymond Hamlin accompained Evelyn Crain to Lynchburg Tuesday to be at the bedside of the latter's mother, Mrs. Louise Crain.

Mrs. Glenn McIntosh and Mrs. R. E. Roach were shopping in Lynchburg today.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Ranson were visiting her sister, Mrs. Gladys Anderson in Kansas City, Mo. during Thanksgiving.

Mrs. Billy Ferguson returned home from the hospital Wednesday.

Samuel Dickerson killed his first deer Thanksgiving Day.

Barry Elder of Bluefield College spent the Thanksgiving holidays with his parents, Rev. and Mrs. W. H. Elder.

Mary Ann Lewis was among the F. H. A. members who presented a skit at Appomattox Intermediate School on November 16, at the Junior Chapter Future Homemakers of America.

Congratulations to Grace Ranson who was a winner in the F.H.A. Beauty Contest at Appomattox on Thanksgiving eve.

A nice crowd out for the fellowship supper and Thanksgiving service on Wednesday night. Rev. W. H. Elder brought a very fine sermon Sunday morning.

The Rocks Extension Home Makers Council will meet with Mrs. C. E. McLaughlin on Dec. 7 at 7:30. The Christmas Party will be held. Wear long dresses.

Almost half of the common weeds found in the United States have been introduced from foreign countries. Of the top 15 in the United States, 13 orginated abroad.

Last Week	1.05
This Month	6.90
This Year	61.85

Youngster Gets First Deer

Deer season has surely begun, for on Thursday, November 23rd, his first time deer hunting, Freddy Mitchell shot and killed an eleven point buck.

Freddy is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Teddy Mitchell of Appomattox. Needless to say, he was one happy young lad.

APPROMATTOX PRIMARY SCHOOL MENU

Mon., Dec. 4 – Chili beans, cole slaw, buttered corn, saucer fruit, milk.

Tues., Dec. 5 – Hot dog on bun with dressing & onions, string beans, potato chips, ice cream, milk

Wed., Dec. 6 – Pizza, lettuce & tomato salad, corn cheese, Jello with topping, milk.

Thurs., Dec. 7 – Hamburger on bun, potato chips, green vegetable, tangerine, milk.

Fri., Dec. 8 – Vegetable beef soup, crackers, toasted cheese sandwich, ice cream, milk.

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Gets His First Buck

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...e his second day of deer hunting, got two shots at the ...buck and Wagnuson got two shots and killed the ... approximate weight was 150 pounds.

...ne has been hunting for 30 years, this is his first ...ck's deer, and it was within 100 yards of his home.

...agnuson and Schwemer live in Spout Spring.

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...Homemakers of ...County, formerly ...operating Clubs. ...ual Achievement ...day, Thursday, at ...e of the World ...ntation. There ...very special guests ...ram, Mrs. Karen ...Mrs. J. R. ...ds. Falls is a ...ist with VEPCO ...and will give a ...Christmas Ideas. ...uld has lived in ...for the past two ...a native of Ger- ...will give a talk on ...mas Customs.

...C. Harvey, Sr., ...man, will preside ...vement Day pro- ...Harvey has been ...making arrange- ...the program, for ...100 ladies are ...pected.

...ation Homemakers ...are busy preparing ...year. Several clubs ...of new officers to ...in January. The ...of 1973 have also ...and include the ...interesting topics: ...mation, Table Set- ...Food Service, Italian ...ing Pictures, ...Trimming Bushes, ...Gift Ideas, Making ...and Buttonholes, ...ches, Let's Dec- ...Halloween, and Using ...for Spices and ...

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BECKHAM

NOV. 28–Mrs. Herman Moore is spending several days with Mrs. Percy Reynolds.

Mr. Abner Martin, of Richmond, is spending this week with Mr. and Mrs. Howlett Drinkard, Donald Lee Drinkard, and Miss Eunice Martin. Sunday dinner guests in this home were Mr. and Mrs. Charles Martin, of Lynchburg.

Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gibbs Martin were Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Martin, Jr. and Tammy, Mr. and Mrs. Sonny Carter, Crystal and Karen, Mr. Alfred Martin, A.C. and Mike. Mrs. Geraldine Moore, Debbie and Gwen visited in the afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Burge visited Mrs. Beulah Goodbar and Mr. and Mrs. Roy T. Campbell and family, of Monroe, Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Everette Martin and E. W. and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Tweedy, Michelle and Tracey were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Martin.

LUNCH TO BE SERVED AT AUCTION

Lunch will be served at the auction sale of Mrs. Jack Caldwell, of Spout Spring on Route 667. Proceeds will go to the Bethel Methodist Church.

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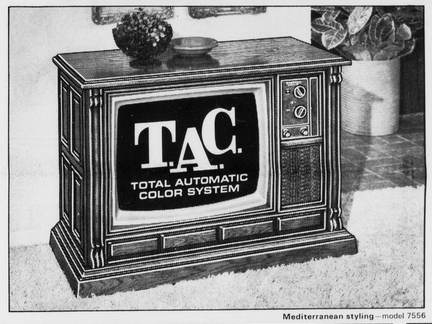

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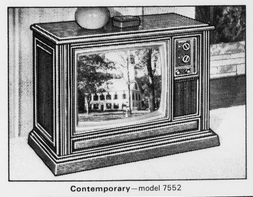

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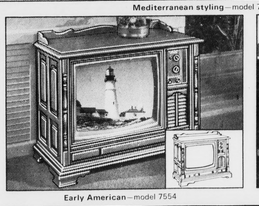

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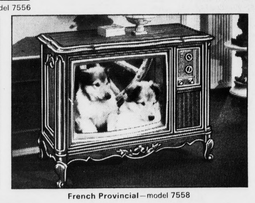

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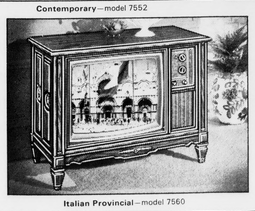

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